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CONNELLSVILLE, PA., TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 24, 1907.

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TWELVE DARR MINE VICTIMS BROUGHT HERE FOR BURIAL.

Were All Foreigners and Members of the Magyar, Greek and Lutheran Churches, Chiefly of the Former.

AN ORDER FOR FIFTY GRAVES.

Women Are Fearsome That the Bodies of Their Relatives Will Be Scattered on Their Arrival Here and Great Excitement Resumes State of a Large Building Operation With the Many Graves That Are Being Dug.

A gruesome scene was witnessed this morning at the P. & L. B. depot when 12 of the Darr mine victims were brought here for burial. Five barrels, four steel wagons, and two large delivery wagons were required to take the bodies from the depot to the various churches and carry the rough boxes to the cemetery.

Two of the bodies were taken to the Shavian Lutheran Church, two to the Great Catholic Church and eight to St. Emory Hungarian Catholic Church. The ministers of the churches accompanied the bodies from Jacob Creek to the churches and assisted in the work of preventing any mix up in the bodies. Each rough box was labeled with the death certificate and the name of the victim and in addition to this each casket also bore the name of the man within it.

The bodies buried from the Lake Extrication are as follows: William Dugan, Andrew Mihaly, Martin Hrak, John Gedeon, John Bartkovich, Daniel Berics, John Leeks, Domette Varga, Kislton, Velas, George Clark, Balazs, Paul and Frank Bartkovich.

Little excitement attended the arrival of the bodies but a few persons knowing that they were to be brought in, it was after the train stopped and the unloading began that others did some shouting. The widows of the miners presented the greatest commotion by shouting in the way of the under-lakers and searching frantically for the boxes which held the remains of their relatives. All the boxes were arranged in a line along the platform and it was not until they were taken from the train that the box were taken from the horses. The ministers had offered valuable assistance in getting the bodies arranged so that they could be taken to the ground church. Had they been on hand it would have been difficult to get the bodies to be taken.

The informal societies to which the men belonged came along with the bodies in large numbers and there were many hands to assist in taking the bodies from the railroad car. Much care was taken from the depot to the church to see that the bodies were not disturbed.

Rev. P. Z. Dzubek, locum tenens of the pastor of the Great Catholic Church, Rev. M. Tomaszek, came to the depot to see the Shavian Lutheran Church and Rev. Adam Blazek, and the largest number of the dead bodies from the St. Emory Hungarian Church.

Finally had the first coffin been taken from the train until a tall woman came in black and almost dragging a little light-haired boy, ran up to the box and eagerly scanned the certificates. The box then began to shake up along the pavement and she came very near being knocked down several times as she pushed her way out and in among the boxes reading every death certificate. Suddenly she found the box she was looking for and with tears running down her face, she went to Rev. Tomaszek and pleaded to have the casket taken from it and carried to the church with all haste. She was quickly accommodated, for the undertakers were already unsewing the lid and the black casket came forth in a minute, was placed in the house and taken to the church as quickly as possible.

Hill Grove Cemetery today, in the plot near the poor section, represents a peculiar scene. It looks more like excavation work for an immense building is going on instead of digging graves for the dead. Joseph L. Stader, this morning received an order to prepare 50 graves to inter the dead of Darr mine in and workmen have already started to dig the holes that will cover the caskets. Of the 12 brought here for burial this morning two were interred at Hill Grove and the balance interred in St. Emory's Cemetery. This is a new cemetery but already is beginning to look like it will be quickly filled with graves made all at the same time.

Maybe Snow Tomorrow. Light snow or rain tonight and tomorrow is the noon weather bulletins expected that a large number of bodies will be brought here tomorrow evening. Identifications are made. There are several other bodies

DARR MINE BENEFIT.

J. L. Rodrigues Arranging for One at New Solson's Theatre.

J. L. Rodrigues is arranging for a benefit musical to be given for the families of the Darr mine victims. The date for which has not yet been set. Fred Robbins, manager of the Solson Theatre, has kindly donated the use of the house for that evening and a special meeting will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. building when final arrangements will be made.

Mr. Rodrigues extends a pressing invitation to all persons desiring to take part in the benefit to be present Monday evening.

les in the morgue at Darr that have been identified, and these will probably also be brought to Connellsville.

It seems as though St. Emory's congregation, which recently erected the handsome new church on Arch street, is to suffer the most severe of all the orphans in the neighborhood of the disaster, and it is now fully believed that 100 male members of the congregation have lost their lives at Darr.

A census taken the day following the explosion showed that 110 members of the congregation were in the mine when it went up.

WILL GIVE LOT.

John Duggan Makes Offer to Relief Committee for Benefit of Darr Mine Sufferers.

John Duggan of New Haven has made an offer to the Connellsville and New Haven Darr Mine Relief Committee that will set the widows and orphans of the victims of last Thursday's explosion about \$300. Mr. Duggan will donate a lot in Greenwood worth \$300 to the Relief Committee to dispose of in the manner they may think best to raise the most money.

The lot is a valuable one, well located, and yesterday was generously offered to the Relief Committee by Mr. Duggan.

The offer was not made as stated in a local paper as a place of burial for the Darr mine victims. All expenses of burial of the Darr mine victims are assumed by the Pittsburgh Coal Company.

NEW CAPS.

Will Be Presented to West Penn Conductors and Motormen on Christmas.

The West Penn Railways Company will tomorrow make every conductor and motorman in its employ a present of a very substantial cap. The company has ordered two hundred of these top pieces for its men, and as they are relieved from their trips tomorrow they will be presented with the Pennsylvania company for a site truck. It was impossible to agree on a price, and the following were appointed to view the property and as soon as possible: J. V. Moore, Frank Santos, Richard Bulger, James Thompson, James Roberts and Louis Schirmer.

Edward Walker, convicted of aggravated assault and battery, was sentenced to nine months in the workhouse. He attacked a number of boys at Uniontown and seriously cut Thomas and William Hay.

Ira Kerr was convicted of non-support and desertion. He was ordered to pay his wife \$4 per week. She asked for \$5.

Attorney T. P. Jones and H. S. Dumbauld were allowed \$100 each as fees for defending Anton Sosterle, who was convicted of murder in the second degree and sentenced to 14 years in the penitentiary.

The costs in the case of William Coburn, who was tried for assault on S. A. Davidson, and who was granted a new trial, have been placed on the county and the case stricken from the dockets.

A bond of \$2,000 was filed by the Fayette County Railroad Company to protect any damages that might arise to the property of William Precoo of Durbar, by the company laying an additional track near his house. Objections were also filed to the bond, alleging that it was insufficient to protect the owner. The court ordered both the bond and the objections filed.

In the cases of Andrew Alexander and George Gibbons of New Haven, charges with selling liquor without a license, the court assessed a fine of \$10, 30 days in jail and pay the costs.

Alexander and Gibbons attended a dance given at the Springfield hall in New Haven. Gibbons is a wandering minstrel and played at the dance. While there they gave some boys whiskey and they became drunk.

The attorney made a plea for them, saying that both the defendants had good characters and the offense was not prolonged or committed in a violent manner.

John McBride, 25, of Uniontown, the Social Union Meeting.

The monthly business meeting of the Social Union of the First Baptist Church will be held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ira Boatman on Murphy avenue. A musical and literary program will be rendered.

A divorce was granted Harry Hurst from his wife, Blanch C. Hurst, on the grounds of desertion.

Arguments were made in the cases of Joseph Castell, Sunita Bonetti, James Loretta and Frank Reppert,

convicted in the Brynneville conspiracy cases. Attorney Touch argued for the prisoners and said that there was not sufficient evidence for their conviction, and that they chance to be in town when Gilesepe Nekalista was assassinated. There was no decision.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

By King Solomon Lodge of Masons.

Last Evening.

The annual installation of officers took place last evening at the regular meeting of King Solomon Lodge No. 342, F. and A. M., held in the long room of the Masonic building. The installing officer was Bluff Hornback of James Cochran Lodge of Dawson. The installation was followed by a banquet furnished by the West Penn restaurant.

The visiting Masons present were H. M. McDonald, Dr. H. J. Bell of Dawson and Bluff Hornback of Dickson Run.

DINNER FOR POOR.

Members of Salvation Army Preparing for Christmas Feast on Christmas.

The ideal corps of the Salvation Army are busy today preparing for the Christmas dinner to be given to the poor people of Connellsville and vicinity. A large number of the new boys will likely attend owing to the fact that the W. C. T. U. will not give their annual new boys' dinner.

They are also making arrangements for an entertainment for the poor children to be given in the building No. 100 South Pittsburgh street, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. Secretary Eby of the Y. M. C. A. or one of his assistants will give a stereopticon lecture. The public is invited to be present.

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sure Cold Company, said by this indicate when the bodies will be ready to receive bodies by the hour. They will be brought from the mine as fast as they are found.

The remains of Mine Foreman W. S. Campbell are still being held at his home here in hope that his son-in-law, Walter Sheppard, here, however, will be found, when a double funeral will be held.

When the thirteen bodies not identified are buried from the school house this afternoon, it will clear the morrow of their dead, until more bodies are brought from the mine. Thirty-three of the bodies so far removed to the morgue have been identified.

Efforts are being made by the rail road companies to prevent visitors from coming to the mines at Jacobs Creek tomorrow.

FRENCH EXPERTS.

Mining Men Making Investigation at Monongahela, W. Va.

FAIRFAX, W. Va., Dec. 24.—French experts will make an investigation of the Monongah mines, where an explosion occurred, with a view of ascertaining, if possible, the cause of the disaster and preventing the same from occurring in that country, it is believed.

Frederick C. N. Wilson, of the Fairmont Coal Company, received a telegram yesterday from August Belmont, president of the company, for the French experts to make any inspection of the mines, which permission was readily granted. A telegram was received this morning, stating that the French experts had decided to visit the Davis mines before coming here, and they will be in Fairmont soon.

Joseph A. Holland, Chief of the United States Geological Survey, is now at the scene of the recent disaster, and is accompanied by Prof. Lord Chat Chemain of the United States Geological Survey, and another scientist of note.

SHAM YIELDS EVERYTHING

Rules of Persia Knocks to Demands of the People.

FAIRFAX, W. Va., Dec. 24.—The president of the assembly has informed that body of the details of the decision submitted to the assembly, the date in which the latter accepted the demands made upon him by the constitutional leaders. This decision, it is said, first that Sir Edward Doyle and Sir Edward Murray, who were responsible for the recent disturbances, be banished from the country, and second, that the king and his brother be allowed to return to Persia; third, that the minister be placed as a permanent head before the parliament, and fourth, that all troops in India be withdrawn.

MONONGAHELA, Pa., Dec. 24.—The fire in the Schoenberger mine at Fairmont is still raging, and help was asked from Hazelton and Bradford men. It was stated that the mine was from 10,000 laborers who had entered the city from the interior and who had refused to return to their employment in the coal industry. The government declared a state of siege, and finally the trouble resulted in the laborers being fired on with machine guns.

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The Coal Strike.

An additional type of criminal action taken in that of Hon. Paul D. Schmitz, the country's Selective Service Commissioner, of the Whirlwind of which, during his performance of his duty, New York success, "The Coal Strike," which will furnish the attraction of the New Season. The musicals and night, tomorrow, Scallop on sale at box office of the ro.

Notice to Division 50 Members.

The regular meeting of Division No. 50, D. C. of Sunday, December 24, 1907, has been postponed. A special meeting will be held Sunday, December 29, at Division Hall, Connellsville, at 1:30 P. M. A. J. Whittle, Chief Engineer.

Flight to Trinidad.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—(Special)—Official announcement of the arrival of the battleship fleet at Trinidad, Col., was received by cable from Admiral Evans, at the Navy Department, early today.

Mrs. Longworth is Recovering.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—(Special)—Mrs. Nicholas Longworth was able to walk about the White House this morning for the first time since the operation for appendicitis.

Gov. J. Humbert Left No Will.

Letters of administration were filed today by Mrs. Anna G. Pritchard and J. C. Kurtz in the estate of the late George J. Humbert. Mr. Humbert left no will.

Have you tried our classified ads?

TRI-STATE NEWS.

Events of the Day in Brief from Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 24.—The Andover Street Railway company of Pittsburgh has filed notices of an increase in its indebtedness of \$1,000,000.

Improvements.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 24.—The five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Katherman was terribly scalded during the absence of Mrs. Katherman. The little girl tried to pour boiling water through the spout of a kettle. She is in a critical condition.

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THE TRUE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

History tells us that Christmas is not the anniversary of Christ's birth, but in modern practise it is so regarded and so celebrated. It is therefore matters not about the calendar. It is the day upon which we say "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

We hope that every reader of The Courier will enter into the spirit of Christmas, the spirit that animated the All-Compassionate One when He taught the first lessons of Divine Democracy; when He taught the first practical illustrations of the Universal Brotherhood of Man; when He demonstrated that He loved His neighbor even better than Himself.

It is the spirit that seeks happiness through the happiness of others; the self-abnegation which is its own reward; the joy of giving which is greater than the joy of receiving; the sunshine of life that basks in the warmth of its own reflection.

Too many people of narrow minds and mean dispositions make commerce of Christmas giving and turn all of its sweetness into acid, not only for themselves but frequently for others. Such exchanges had better be avoided. Let our gifts be such as our means will warrant, generous rather than a multitude of remembrances than in a few costly barters. Let them be tokens of friendship's happy greeting rather than bids for something better. Give with an open heart or give not at all.

But if we must neglect some of our friends, let us not neglect the children. The Heirs of the King must have the first claim upon Santa Claus, and their drafts may not be dishonored without honor to ourselves. The Courier has printed a large number of them during the past ten days, and few of them are likely to go to protest in spite of the evil shadow of dull times which has fallen athwart the business situation in a period of great plenty, but which now seems to be lifting even as the brightness of morning heralded the fact that He had risen triumphant.

CAMPAGNE EXPENSES.

IND. STATEMENTS.—Albert D. Warman, Burgess of Uniontown, and late Democratic candidate for Dist. Attorney, declares that the Uniontown Standard that he does not intend to file any statement concerning his campaign expenses for the reason that the law is unconstitutional. The Standard quoted his statement that the Commonwealth interferes with a man's personal liberty when it includes into this expense account "that no man can swear to the exact amount spent for campaign expenses, because so many demands are made upon him for a candidate, because he is a candidate, that is an injury into his personal freedom and living expenses during the time of his candidacy which does not give any right or business to show that a man's expense is a campaign in his private life is a private affair all his own; that the man who would make out a statement purporting to be all he had spent in the campaign for electioneering expenses, because he is a candidate, always causes a public stir with greater liberality when times are dull than when they are exceedingly prosperous."

Field Marshal Elkins and his Prohibition forces are seeking to have an account of the Republican campaign expense account, alleging that more than was actually spent than was accounted for in the official reports of Colonel Elkins assure the public that this is a public-spirited movement in the interest of pure politics and not of party.

The Carnegie Hero Fund is being applied to a good purpose in these days of terrible misfortune.

The cheerful boughs and the merry minstrels have no place in a sober Christmas. The black boughs of bitter mourning are the chief Christmas decorations.

The Street Commissioner has adopted the suggestion of The Courier and has given a large gift of light. We congratulate the public and cordially commend the esteemed Comptroller.

The Democrats of Schenckville county will have their election expense account audited. The audit movement is not confined to one party. If the Republicans win, the Democrats can show as much expense as the Republicans did. The Republicans will be able to produce in Fayette county.

The "Good Effect" is the head-line of The Courier, the sub-title of the most attractive is that it will make the village of Jacob's Creek Democratic. The "One Good Effect" is in bad taste, and the least.

The burglars are animated by the merry holiday spirit. They are pinching Christmas candy.

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EXCHANGE ETCHINGS.

Some of the Enterprising Spirit of Our Esteemed Contemporaries.

The Meyersdale Republican puts out

The Mingo Journal, a weekly newspaper.

The Altoona Leader has increased all their efforts under the able editorial direction of Editor W. A. Shanahan. It

consists of 20 pages enclosed in an attractive cover and is well printed.

The whole is a triumph of typographical excellence.

The Republican is evidently highly ap-

preciated by the live merchants of Mey-

ersdale, and more highly than

ought to be.

The Crowley Signal from Crowley

Acadia Parish, Louisiana, comes to us

with a 16-page herald number, brill-

iant with bright colors and interesting

articles and editorials.

The Signal's chief interest lies in the

business interests of Crowley, all

Southwestern Louisiana. The typographical appearance of the number

proves that the Signal editor is one of the

best.

The Waynesburg Democrat has

changed its form from an old-fashioned

roll to the more modern form of twelve

pages. It is a pleasure that it is

so well printed and well conducted.

The Democrat is the best local pa-

per in the county. Things do move in

Little Greene.

The Uniontown Standard is of full

size, having a weekly circulation of 4,500

copies. The Standard has been con-

ducted on conservative lines.

Its growth has not been phenomenal, but

it has been steady and consistent.

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YULE-TIDE TRADE GOOD AT SCOTTDALE

Merchants There Are Well Satisfied With the Season's Business.

COLLECTOR SETTLES DUPLICATE

Local and Personal Mention of a Day Picked Up by a Correspondent of The Courier in the Mill Town.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 24.—The Christmas trade has been better under the present industrial conditions than a great many merchants expected it to be, although there is not the rapid and extended buying probably of the more recent years. However, Scottdale's storekeepers say that they will not complain, as they did reasonable business. At the postoffice there was not as much of a rush on packages incoming and outgoing as there have been, but in souvenir post cards there has never been anything to equal the quantity sent out and received this year. Several reasons entered into this, one the growing popularity of the bright decorative cards, secondly, the cheapness of them, and then the condition that so many people may be remembered in this way caused people to mail a great many remembrances of this nature. The postoffice will be open only to 11:30 on Christmas day, so that all who want to get any late hour presents will have to be remembering this.

Tax Collector S. B. McMillan is in Greensburg today settling with the County Commissioners on his tax duplicate. He has been putting in some very strenuous days and nights recently, endeavoring to get the list of taxables cleaned up as far as possible, and has taken in an excellent report. F. J. McMahon, proprietor of the Star Family Theatre on Broadway, has given tonight a benefit to the victims of the Darr mine explosion. As this theatre invariably has a very high-class bill, the worthy object of the evening insures a large crowd at each performance.

Assistant Chief John Mulhern has been out the last few days painting the fire hydrants of the Citizens' Water Company, and they present a handsome appearance. Superintendent J. T. Randle says that they have all been put in good working condition.

There was an influx of country people in town Monday and today shopping for Christmas time.

A potato weighing two and one-half pounds, grown on his farm in Washington township, is shown by James B. Cochran, a former resident, and it is attracting a good deal of attention in the window of Landenberger & Reel's grocery store.

There will be a 6:30 sunrise and prayer and praise service at the X. M. C. A. rooms on Christmas morning, to which all are invited.

There will be a game of association football between the Scottdale and McKeesport teams on the afternoon of Christmas day at 3 o'clock at Louch's park, Scottdale, according to the schedule.

Street Commissioners T. B. May and a force of men were out all day washing Pittsburg street and Broadway ready for Christmas.

Harvey Nichols of Owingsdale was among the visitors in town on Monday.

W. Sampson Wiley of Philadelphia is here spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wiley.

A number of people of this locality went to Wesley Chapel on Sunday to attend the funeral of Peter Limbaugh, one of the victims of the mine explosion at Jacobs Creek. Limbaugh had the reputation of being a miner absolutely without fear.

Prof. Robert J. Kennedy of the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., and brother Joseph, a student of the same institution, arrived home Saturday morning to spend the holidays with their father.

FIRE NOT YET CHECKED.

Help Asked for Mine at Baird and Gas Has Developed.

MONONGAHELA, Pa., Dec. 24.—(Special)—The fire which started Saturday in the Schoenberger mine at Baird is still burning and help was asked from Hazelkirk and Brazzell mines. All fire hoses in the vicinity are at the scene as well as Mine Inspector Loutit. It was stated last night that the mine was free from gas, but since then gas has developed. As a test a safety lamp was held in the smoke coming from the air shaft. Almost immediately the top of the lamp was blown off, causing the crowd of spectators to disperse suddenly.

It was stated last night that the fire cannot be extinguished by the use of water pumps, and that the company has secured bricklayers to build a brickhead at each end of the burning tract in order to smother the flames.

Fine Christmas Attraction. Those who love music and expect all those who enjoy good songs well sung may look forward confidently to an evening of enjoyment when they see "The Choir Singer" the comedy drama which will furnish the attraction at the New Sisson Theatre on Christmas day, matinee and night. Seats on sale at box office of theatre.

THE CHOIR SINGER

Will Be the Attraction at the New Sisson Christmas Day. "A solar plexus hit" is the way in which a prominent New York dramatic critic recently described "The Choir Singer," the new refined comedy drama, which comes to the New Sisson Theatre, Christmas, matinee and night, with the same large company and elaborate scenic equipment which were seen at its original production in the metropolis. Seats on sale at the box office of theatre.

A FINE SHOW.

Magic Land, Popular Family Theatre, This Week is All That Has Been Promised.

Manager Sam Hartman has given the patrons of Magic Land, North Pittsburg street, all that he promised this week. The bill is the best, according to the verdict of all who attended last night, that has ever been presented in Connellsville. At the performances yesterday standing room was at a premium. Any one of the features, for every act is a feature at the Magic Land, is worth more than the price of admission.

The Great Zento, the handcut king, is doing stunts that surprise and amaze big audiences, both afternoon and evening. Zento gets out of handcuffs securely locked with ridiculous ease. He is robed in all manner of knots and tangles, but with a wriggle or two he is loose. Mrs. Zento will escape this evening from a mail bag securely locked by some one from the audience. The Zentos are really great.

Ivy and Ivy hold the stage for over 30 minutes and there is not a dull second. There is a laugh in every word and their act is absolutely clean, not a suggestive or coarse sentence in it. They are great comedians.

They put on the act at the Magic Land this week for the first time in Connellsville, real advanced vaudeville.

And a Magic Land show would not be complete without People Davenport. She has won a place in Connellsville, and by merit too, that has lengthened her engagement from week to week. This week she is singing popular and classical songs that win deserved applause at each performance. No one can afford to miss Magic Land this week. Every act is a headliner and every headliner is from the pick of vaudeville performers. Manager Hartman's pay roll for performers this week is over \$800.

MICHIGANDER WINS

His Essay on Merchant Marine Takes \$1,000 Prize.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24.—Clifford B. Johnson of Detroit has been awarded the first prize of \$1,000 offered by the Merchant Marine League of the United States for the best essay on the subject, "How to Build Up Our Merchant Marine in the Foreign Trade."

Four hundred essays were submitted to Judge W. R. Taylor of the United States district court for examination. Mr. Johnson's essay recommends mail subsidies only, the additional cost of which could be met by an increase in tonnage taxes, now ridiculously low. His plan involves no expenditure of money directly from the public treasury.

THOUSANDS CURED.

Wonderful Success of Hyomei in Curing Cataract, Even in Chronic Stages.

Hyomei is the most unusual remedy ever known for the cure of cataract. It follows nature in her methods of treating diseases of the respiratory organs, as its healing balsams are taken in with the air you breathe, thus reaching the most remote air cells in the nose, throat and lungs, killing all cataract germs that may be present.

Relief comes with almost the first breath of Hyomei, while lasting and complete cure follows its faithful use. There is hardly a town in the whole country where there are not many who have been cured of cataract by this natural treatment.

In Connellsville, A. A. Clarke can tell you of customers who have been cured of cataract by Hyomei, many of them after they had given up all hope of even relief.

Be wise in time and use Hyomei at the first symptoms of cataract. Do not allow the disease to extend along the delicate mucous membrane, gradually going from the nose to the throat, thence into the bronchial tubes, and then onward and downward until the lungs are reached. Hyomei will cure all curable forms and stages of cataract.

A. A. Clarke takes all the risks of trial and offers to refund the money for a \$1.00 outfit if it fails to cure.

Open its winter term 2nd.

The term just closed was the most prosperous in the history of this great school.

Dr. James E. Ament, Indiana, Pa.

THE DAILY COURIER CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

Odd Chairs

\$4 to \$75

Morris Chairs

\$5 to \$50

Piano Benches

\$9 to \$25

Sideboards

\$12 to \$150

Tables

\$5 to \$125

Leather Chairs

\$3 to \$15

China Closets

\$12 to \$150

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Mission Rocker

6.50 to \$40

Leather Couches

\$28 to \$125

Pedestals

\$4 to \$15

Brass Beds

\$22 to \$125

Dressers

\$7.50 to \$300

Rockers

\$2 to \$50

Music Cabinet

\$6 to \$75

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NOT BE SEATED.

Election Bills of Judge-Elect Boehm of Schuylkill County Questioned.

COURT ASKED TO NAME AUDITOR
Weekly Citizens Want Democratic Campaign Expenditures Scrutinized. They Hope to Prevent Judge-Elect Taking His Seat on January 1.

POTTSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—A petition signed by Andrew G. Robertson, wealthy coal operator, and other prominent citizens of Schuylkill County has been filed in the court of common pleas for the appointment of an auditor to investigate the election expenditures of H. O. Boehm, Democratic judge-elect of H. O. Boehm's similar petition was also filed with reference to the account of W. Chamberlain, treasurer of the last Democratic campaign committee.

The filing of the petition is a preliminary step in quo warranto proceedings if it can be shown that Boehm had knowledge that money given in his campaign was used in violation of the corrupt practices act.

Boehm's statement of expenses, reproduced above, shows that he had spent \$250. The statement is supported by an expenditure of \$1,000, including Judge Boehm's assessment of \$100, by the American Federation of Labor.

Judge Boehm, foreman of the local A. F. L. Association, filed an additional petition which sets forth that neither the account of Boehm nor Chamberlain specifies in detail how the money was expended and neither is accompanied by proper receipts. The petitioners, including the coal barons, with the exception of the law, Judge Boehm will be born in Jan. 1, but should the charred be proved against him, it will be declared, the attorney general will be asked to declare the judicial vacation.

AT LAST DIRT FLIES

Engineers Getting Results in Panama Canal Work.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The excavation from the base of the Panama last month, aggregating 1,538,480 cubic yards, would have covered ten city blocks to a depth of forty feet. No such work has ever been done before as is being done on the Isthmus, according to statistics presented in the official record just received. For instance, it is shown that every fifty working days the commission is moving an amount of material equal to the pyramid of Cheops, which consumed the labor of 300,000 men for twenty years in building the road connecting the work with the quarry. The commission could build the Suez canal at the present rate of progress in 3 years, though it took ten years for Delessert to complete his work. The famous "Manchester" ship canal could be excavated by the American workers in just twenty-five months, and the "Canal of William's Millennium" could be dug by the four Americans in just two years.

HEARST RETRACTS

Editor Makes Handsome Apology to William Astor Chamber.
New York, Dec. 24.—The publication of a retraction of statements made in the New York American and Evening Journal in October, connecting William Astor Chamber, brother of Lieutenant Governor Chamber with the case of Raymond Hitchcock, it is stated, may result in the abandonment of the criminal trial proceeding instituted by Mr. Chamber against W. R. Hearst. The matter is now pending before the grand jury. Mr. Hearst being held for the action of the body after a preliminary hearing before Justice Wyatt.

"While I have not consulted Mr. Chamber about the matter," said Sidney B. Harrison, attorney for Mr. Chamber, "the retraction is so thorough and so complete a vindication of myself I do not believe Mr. Chamber will feel it is necessary further to prosecute this proceeding against Mr. Hearst. The acknowledgement of error and the personal regret expressed by Mr. Hearst were such as to leave little to be gained by urging the matter before the grand jury."

WOULD WIPE THEM OUT

Senator Nixon Declares Minerals Federation Will Be Annihilated.

Washington, Dec. 24.—After a conference with President Roosevelt, Senator Nixon of Nevada expressed it as his opinion that the president could not well modify his order directing the withdrawal of the troops. The question of having the state take some active part in protecting the interests of Goldfield, the senator said, was not raised. Voecks is accused of obtaining \$1,000 from Hitchcock for keeping quiet concerning the charges brought against the actor.

Plays Guilty to Extortion.

New York, Dec. 24.—Rugo C. Voecks, brother of Elsie Voecks, in whose behalf charges were brought against Raymond Hitchcock, the comedian, pleaded guilty to an indictment alleging extortion before Judge Roosevelt, and was remanded for sentence. Voecks is accused of obtaining \$1,000 from Hitchcock for keeping quiet concerning the charges brought against the actor.

One of Missouri's Crew Dead.

San Juan, P. R., Dec. 24.—Benjamin Northway, a fireman on the battleship Missouri, who was landed here suffering from peritonitis, is dead. Northway's home was in Massachusetts. He will be buried in the San Juan military cemetery.

Republican Club for Hughes.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Republican club has endorsed the Governor Hughes as a candidate for the presidential nomination. There were more than 300 members present and all but nine voted for the resolution. The club will be salutary and wholesome.

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HOME CHRISTMAS

Week Lurks in Nearly Every Home at Jacobs Creek.

IDENTIFICATION SLOW

Abide the Mourners at Darr. Many Fearful and Measures to Prevent Crime Are Taken. Great

Prayer for the Better Part.

RECENTLY, a coroner's inquest was held in the town of Darr, in the northern part of the state, to determine the cause of death of a man who had been found dead in a field. The coroner's inquest was held on December 21st, and the results of the investigation were not known at the time of the publication of this article.

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MASONIC INSTALLATION

Officers of Laurel Lodge Elected December 24. Take Charge. UNIONTOWN, Dec. 24.—Officers of Laurel Lodge, No. 4, A. M., who were elected several weeks ago, were installed at the lodge room last evening. The new officers are: C. C. LaClell, Worshipful Master; J. Seagrist Marshall; Senior Warden; H. S. Dumbauld, Junior Warden; H. S. Dumbauld, Secretary; and L. W. Fogt, Treasurer. Mr. Dumbauld is Representative to the Grand Lodge. The Trustees were not installed.

THIEVES AT DUNBAR.

Three Houses Were Entered on Sunday Evening. But Nothing of Value Was Secured.

Special to the Courier.

DUNBAR, Dec. 24.—Robbers made their appearance in Dunbar again on Sunday evening in the expectation of making a fine Christmas haul. They entered the home of Andrew Wishart, the baker; Squire A. G. Duncan and George Wilson, who is employed in the meat shop of Smith Brothers. All the houses entered are on Railroad street. At the home of Andrew Wishart, the thief gained entrance by prying open a window in the kitchen. After getting in they could go no further on account of the door between the sitting room and the kitchen being locked. Matches were thrown all over the door.

After ransacking the kitchen the robbers left, going to the home of George Wilson, a few doors below. They got in a back window. They were scared away and in leaving one of the parties left his overcoat. From thence it is thought they went to the residence of Squire A. G. Duncan. Nothing of any consequence was secured. By one of the thieves leaving his overcoat it is thought a clue may be obtained.

COURT EXPLAINS.

Resection of Westmoreland Coal Land Tax Values Based on Production Possibilities.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 24.—Judge McConnell, in his opinion reducing the coal land valuations \$70 an acre from the figures fixed by the County Commissioners at the last triennial assessment, says there were errors in the assessment ratified by the Commission. In that coal in certain fields was assessed at a uniform valuation, whereas the vein varied in thickness and quality.

McConnell, in appraising the coal was not uniform, at \$70 an acre. It is pointed out that the surface land and coal held in the same right are not to be separately assessed, although coal and surface rights held by different owners should be so assessed, but not at higher valuation than if the two were to be sold separately.

WAGE REDUCTION.

Notice of 12 1/2 Per Cent. Cut Posted by the Wharton Coke Company.

THE SOISSON, Christmas Matinee and Night.

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The down town streets were given another bath last night. They will be clean for Christmas.

RAILROAD SUED.

Coal Companies Charge Pennsylvania Company with Discrimination. JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 24.—(Special)—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company yesterday was made the defendant in suits for more than \$1,000,000, brought by the Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Company and the Webster Coal & Coke Company. The allegation is made that for four years the railroad company has discriminated against the plaintiffs in the matter of coal cars, and that rebates have been granted the Glen White Coal Company.

The two companies mentioned as plaintiffs are operated under the management of the Pennsylvania, Beach Creek & Eastern Coal & Coke Company, which is supposed to be controlled by the New York Central railroad. The coal combination operates 40 miles in this section of the State, and its total capital is estimated to be \$20,000,000.

Greene and Gaynor Lose Again.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The Supreme Court of the United States has denied the petition for writ of certiorari to that court by the cases of Benjamin D. Greene and John F. Gaynor, who are under sentence to pay a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for conspiracy in connection with their trial at Savannah, Ga.

Exceptions to Hitchman Will.

Holmes, attorney for the late James Hitchman of Mt. Pleasant, has filed exceptions to the will, giving practically all the \$70,000 estate to Lawrence Hitchman and son, and six nieces and nephews. They allege the testator was mentally incapable and claim undue influence.

The Choir Singer.

That latest New York hit, "The Choir Singer," a play with songs, with a car load of scenery and a big company of well known players will furnish the attraction at the New Orleans Theatre Christmas Day, matinee and night.

No Wage Reduction.

Notice has been posted at New Castle and Shaler by the Amalgamated Steel & Tin Plate Company that no wage reduction will be made the coming year, the 1907 scale continuing; in effect.

SENDING TOYS.

McKeesport citizens are sending a car load of toys for the orphans at Darr to cheer the little ones there on Christmas as much as possible.

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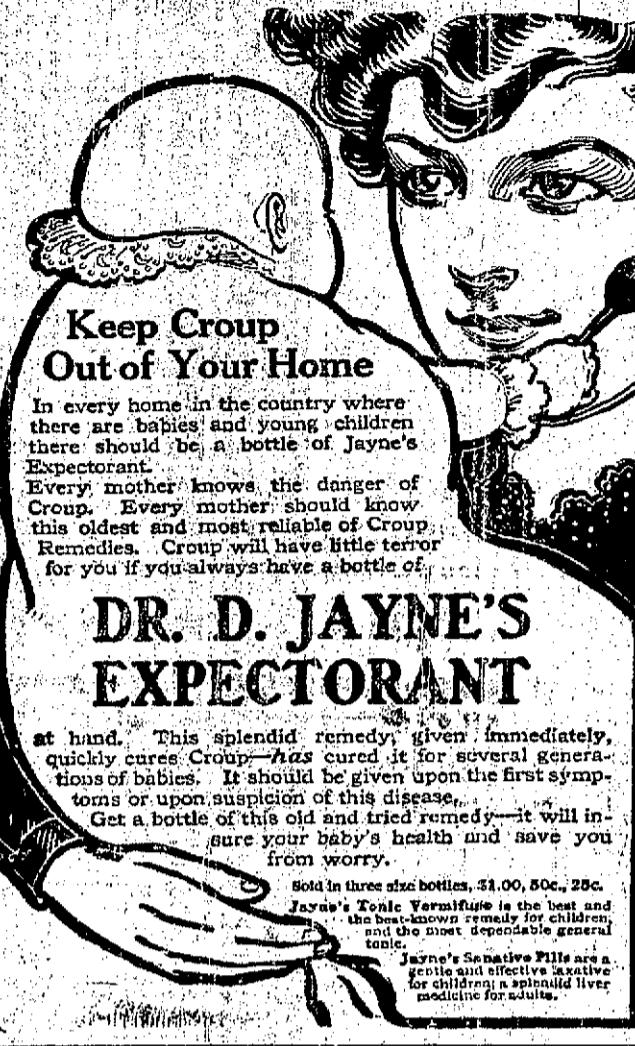
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In every home in the country where there are babies and young children there should be a bottle of Jayne's Expectorant. Every mother knows the danger of Croup. Every mother should know this oldest and most reliable of Croup Remedies. Croup will have little terror for you if you always have a bottle of

DR. D. JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT

at hand. This splendid remedy, given immediately, quickly cures Croup. It has cured it for several generations of babies. It should be given upon the first symptoms or upon suspicion of this disease.

Get a bottle of this old and tried remedy—it will insure your baby's health and save you from worry.

Sold in three size bottles, 34.00, 50c, 25c. Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge is the best and the best-known remedy for children, the most dependable general tonic.

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